# Development Talking Points Stories from the Field

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#### A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words

Development Office team members have been working hard assessing both Self-Help and Humanitarian Assistance funding proposals. Each year, projects are submitted from all five regions of Togo and on-site assessment visits play an important role in helping evaluate requests for funding. Here are just a few pictures from some of those visits and the scenery in between.















### **PACTE-HIV Launching Ceremony**

Development Office members accompanied Ambassador Whitehead and Mich Coker, Economics Officer, to the PACTE-HIV launching ceremony at the Hotel Sarakawa. Togo's Health Minister, Charles K. Agba and Prof. Vincent Pitche of Conseil National de Lutte contre le SIDA (CNLS) also attended the event.

The five-year USAID-funded project will be implemented by FHI360 in Togo and Burkina Faso and will focus on HIV prevention and care for key affected populations, especially female sex workers (FSWs) and men having sex with men (MSMs).



# USAID WESTAFRICA REUNION DE RESTITUTION DES RESULTATS DE L'EVALUATION DE RESPOND/USAID ET DE CLOTURE DU PROJET Hotel Sarakawa, Mard la 28 Fevrier 2013

#### **RESPOND Results Meeting**

The event was opened by Ambassador Whitehead and Cyriaque Bowassi, Director of Cabinet, Ministry of Health. Over the past two years, the USAID-funded, EngenderHealth-managed project has achieved success – raising awareness among communities about the benefits of family planning, providing more services to women and families.

USAID Representatives and Dr. Eloi Amegan of EngenderHealth presented results. Data from the RESPOND project will inform the government of Togo as it further advances its reproductive health and family planning agenda.



#### Info about Info Sessions

Potential grantees are encouraged to attend one of the monthly information sessions scheduled from 2pm until 4pm in the Embassy on the last Tuesday of each month. Attendees **must** pre-register and notify the Development Office of their planned visit via <a href="mailto:sshlome@state.gov">sshlome@state.gov</a> and each registered individual needs to bring a valid picture ID to enter the embassy compound.

